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| Applicant | : | Hayashi et al. |
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| Filed | : | Herewith |
| For | : | POSITIVE RESIST COMPOSITION AND METHOD OF FORMING RESIST PATTERN USING SAME (as amended) |
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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captions U.S. National Phase Application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.